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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.116

Sir:

Responsive to Office Action mailed 15 January 2004 and under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.116, please amend the above patent application in the following manner so as to place the application in a better form for appeal.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Amend paragraph 65 as follows:

[0065] Fig. 3 illustrates an implementation of inert-gas reservoir 28 consisting of inert-gas compound 70. Candidates for inert-gas compound 70 include argon hydrofluoride (ArHF), krypton fluoride (KrF₂), xenon fluoride (XeF₂), xenon platinum fluoride (XePtF₆), xenon hydrocyanide (XeHCN), and xenon hydrochloride (XeHCl). These inert-gas compounds are generally unstable and slowly dissociate to release the replacement inert gas. Although Fig. 3 illustrates does not indicate any supporting structure for inert-gas compound

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70 as being in contact with backplate 40, some of the exemplary inert-gas compounds identified here are liquids or gases, and thus need further supporting/retaining supporting structures such as a piece of material that adsorbs or/and absorbs compound 70 or a container that holds compound 70.

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